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## FIRE BELLS MISTAKEN FOR NEW YEAR'S BELLS

**Heroic Work of Volunteer Firemen Save Mr. Wedding's Home—Alarm Sounded at 1:30—Same House Caught Fire Six Years Ago.**

Not fully realizing the time of morning and thinking the church bells were ringing the new year in and the old year out—a good many of the inhabitants of Cloverport were not as quick to rise on Tuesday morning at the first tap of a fire alarm, as they would have been at any other time.

About 1:30 o'clock, Tuesday New Year's morning, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wedding and their little son, Ernest C. Wedding, were awakened by the heavy smoke which was in their sleeping room and upon rising they discovered their entire cottage was filled with smoke. Mr. Wedding immediately sounded alarm in the neighborhood and when people were fully aware that there was a fire, they rushed to the scene and soon found the fire was in the basement where the furnace was. But on account of the dense smoke, the only way to fight the fire was by tearing up the floors in the dining room and kitchen and by doing this and with the use of the patent fire extinguishers, the house was saved as well as the other houses on the block, all of them being frame structures and close to one another.

It is generally surmised that the cause of the fire was due to the natural gas which was left burning in the furnace and during the night the pressure became very powerful. Six years ago this same cottage, then occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Babbage, caught fire in the kitchen and was saved with very little damage.

On New Year's day, while Mr. Wedding was busy having his furniture moved back into his home and getting things in order, his drug store was in charge of Mr. J. Byrne Severs, a druggist, who is at home for the holidays.

## Fred D. Pierce is Home on a Furlough.

Fred D. Pierce, Petty officer and wireless operator from Battleship U. S. S. Kentucky which is some where in the Atlantic is spending a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Pierce at Rose Hill.

Mr. Pierce graduated from the Government Radio Class at Harvard University on Oct. 26, and was detailed to his present location for wireless operation and also as instructor for wireless school which is held aboard the Kentucky. Mr. Pierce is very sorry that he cannot tell any more regarding the life at sea and the wonderful part the Navy is playing in the worlds war as he would like fully for his friends and comrades to know of the interesting side of navy life and of the great protection it is now rendering the American and allied people.

The sailor boy also puts the Red Cross work in this war as being a great stimulant for the boys at sea and says it is one of the many ways the boys use to judge the real patriotism of those who stay at home to keep the old ship a shore in running order and he says the opening of Xmas boxes from the Red Cross would have been a great sight if the good people could have seen the boys opening them and exchanging their appreciation of same.

Mr. Pierce says Cloverport sure looks good to him excitement is alright for the boys and they like it pretty well, but the old melody "There is no place like home" is always ringing in their ears.

## Masonic Election.

Custer Lodge No. 624 F. and A. M. met in its hall on Dec. 27th in regular annual communication and elected the following officers to serve the lodge the ensuing year, 1918.

Philip N. Snyder, Master; Lester Pile, Senior Warden; Gilbert Lyons, Junior Warden; Rev. J. T. Mitcham, Treasurer; Dr. J. W. Meador, Secretary; John Lockhard, Senior Deacon; Hubert Harned, Junior Deacon; Frank Black, Tyler.

## Directors Meeting.

The Directors of The Farmers Bank Hardinsburg held their semi-annual meeting Monday. They increased their capital stock from \$15,000 to \$25,000 and added a new director, Mr. L. B. Reeves.

## SURPLUS OF WHEAT ALREADY SENT ABROAD

**Protests Against Wheatless and Meatless Days Denounced by Food Administration.**

The following was issued by the United States food administration: Statements appearing in the Chicago press emanating from interested parties, protesting against wheatless and meatless days as unnecessary sacrifices by the American public, are either malicious or emanate from personal interest.

The results from meatless days have, for the first time, given us sufficient reserves of meat to allow us to only partially comply with the quantities requested by the allies for shipments. This should be a matter of satisfaction to the entire American people, that their devotion in this matter now enables us to at least partially fulfill our duties to the allies in this respect.

As to wheat, we have already exported the whole of the surplus of the 1917 harvest, over and above the normal demands of our own population. It is necessary, therefore, for the food administration to restrict the export of wheat, so as to retain in the United States sufficient supplies to carry our own people until the next harvest. Therefore all exports of wheat from now forward are limited entirely to volume of saving made by the American people in their consumption of wheat and wheat products. We are continuing wheat shipments as far as our situation allows but even with all the conservation made we are still unable to load over 400,000 tons of foodstuffs urgently required by the allies. Statements of the character referred to given out for personal interest are in little accord with the spirit being shown by millions of homes in the United States in an endeavor to aid the food administration in its task.

## DOG TRAVELS 400 MILES

**Was Sold, but Made the Journey Back to Old Master.**

Making his way over 400 miles of territory and crossing two large rivers on the way, a black shepherd dog belonging to John Smith of Asheville, O., returned home recently after traveling from Tarboro, Ga. The dog was sold to E. A. P. MacCarthy of the Georgia town and was shipped to Tarboro by express.

He seemed to be doing well in the Georgia town, but escaped a few nights ago, and the next heard of him was when, footsore and weary, he scratched at the door of Smith's home on Spring street and wagged himself all over the place when Jack opened the door. The sale has been called off.

## Shelman Stock Farm.

I offer for sale Shelman Stock Farm of 125 acres on a broad county road 2 miles East of Stephensport a railroad and Ohio river, 20 acres in woods 30 in cultivation 25 in clover remainder in grass, lime stone land part of it a little rolling well fenced about 300 rods of wire fence, some fine tobacco land, good tobacco barn, stock barn 36x64 ten foot machine shed full length of the barn, well and pond at barn, never failing spring, new six room cottage and cistern, garage, blacksmith shop and several other out buildings, about 500 bushels of corn, 20 tons of clover hay, two good mares, one horse, one fine jack, two big Jersey milk cows, four Jersey heifer calves, nine ducce hogs, seven Hampshire hogs, two wagons and lot of good farming implements will be sold all together if desired.

A. V. Whitworth,  
Stephensport, Ky.

## Mother of Five Sons Taken.

Mrs. W. G. Macy, who has been ill for several months of tuberculosis died at her home in Harned, Ky., Thursday Dec. 27. The funeral was held Friday and the burial took place in the Harned cemetery.

Mrs. Macy was fifty-two years old and had always lived in the town where she died. She was a woman who was highly esteemed in her community and her sweet character will be greatly missed by those who were closely associated with her.

Besides her husband she is survived by six children, one daughter, Mrs. J. M. Crume and five sons, Gilbert, Percy, Lenard, Emmet and Alfred Owen Macy all of whom are living at Harned.

## Card of Thanks.

The family of the late Mrs. G. W. Macy thank their friends for the loving sympathy and kindness extended them in their recent sorrow.

## CONDENSED STATEMENT OF The Bank of Hardinsburg & Trust Co.

Hardinsburg, Ky., December 31, 1917

### BANKING DEPARTMENT

Assets	Liabilities
Notes and Bills.....\$557,662.83	Capital Stock.....\$ 50,000.00
U. S. and Other Bonds..... 9,848.69	Surplus..... 42,000.00
Real Estate (Farm Lands)..... 3,344.93	Undivided Profits..... 2,953.85
Overdrafts..... 1,328.38	Dividend No. 55 Due Jan. 1st 3,000.00
Cash on Hands and in Other Banks..... 134,286.38	Bills Payable..... 15,000.00
	Deposits..... 593,517.36
Total Assets.....\$706,471.21	Total Liabilities.....\$706,471.21

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

M. B. KINCHELOE, Cashier

### TRUST DEPARTMENT

Assets	Liabilities
Cash on Hand.....\$ 15,006.24	Principal.....\$303,526.36
Real Estate..... 72,368.43	Income..... 2,414.83
Investments..... 218,543.72	
Rents..... 22.80	
Total Assets.....\$305,941.19	Total Liabilities.....\$305,941.19

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

GEO. E. BESS, Manager Trust Department

## Combined Assets \$1,012,412.40

A Bank large enough to care for its large customers—willing to care for the small ones. Consult us if you need a Banker or his advise.

Interest Paid on Time Deposits—Taxes Paid on All Deposits

## Enlists in Signal Reserve Corps.

John Felix Jarboe, one of Cloverport's superior young men who has been living in Minneapolis, Minn., for two years and connected with the E. B. Crabtree & Co., business concern, has resigned his place and enlisted with the Signal Reserve Corps, Dec. 15.

Mr. Jarboe is awaiting orders and if not called previous to Jan. 10, he with Mrs. Jarboe will come here to visit his sisters, Mrs. Edward Bowne and Mrs. Harry Newsom, before entering training.

## County School Supt. Elect.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Raleigh Meador leave this week for Hardinsburg where they will make their home in the future. Mr. Meador, having been elected County School Superintendent will resume his duties Jan. 7, 1918.

Miss Bond of Tennessee will succeed Mr. Meador as a teacher in the Cloverport High School.

## Cloverport Postoffice Busy During Christmas.

Postmaster Lightfoot gave out a statement Monday morning that the local postoffice had done a larger business this year during the Christmas rush than ever known before, and the most remarkable of all, said the postmaster, "There were fewer complaints made by the recipients as well as the senders, since I have been postmaster," and he usually gets his full share of complaints when he is not altogether to blame.

## Coldest Night Yet.

It is generally believed by many Cloverporters who are devotees in watching the thermometer rise and fall that Saturday night registered one of the coldest nights of the winter so far. The thermometer was eleven degrees below zero early Sunday morning but it gradually rose and by noon it was comfortably cold. A slight snow covers the ground.

## Entertainment to Secure Funds to Buy Music.

A number of the patriotic women of Hawesville gave an oyster supper followed by a musical concert at the Court House, Thursday night, Dec. 27, to secure funds to assist in buying music for the boys of the 336th Infantry band.

The proceeds of the entertainment amounted to \$18.25 and was forwarded by Mrs. C. C. McAdams to the Courier Journal.

Quite a number of the Hancock county boys are in the 336 Infantry band as well as some of the Breckinridge county boys. A small contribution was sent from Cloverport towards the fund.

## Moorman Going to Front.

Roy Moorman, now First Lieutenant of Artillery, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moorman, and brother of Judge Henry DeHaven Moorman, for many years a resident of California, is spending a short time with his parents and friends in Kentucky before sailing for France. Young Moorman graduated in law at Central University but later chose a business career on the coast. He was successful, but disposed of his interests and volunteered though not in the draft age. He leaves friends and admirers wherever he has been, and the advancement he has made indicates what may be expected of him in the army. He is remembered here as a progressive and ambitious youth with intensity of purpose and great integrity. He made good at home and away and his kind are even more useful in war than in peace. It is hoped that he may as safely return as he cheerfully goes.

## Moving to Sedalia, Mo.

Mr. Chas. Jackson left, Monday, for Sedalia, Mo., where he has accepted a position in the railroad shops. Mrs. Jackson and children, Carrie Mae, Forrest and Edward, will join Mr. Jackson the latter part of January.

Another Cloverport family who will live in Sedalia, is Mr. Chas. Berry, Mrs. Berry and their little son. They expect to move this week as Mr. Berry, likewise, has a place in the railway shops of Sedalia.

The heaviest food contracts in the history of the world have been let recently to 14 of the great packing houses of the United States.

## AMERICAN AVIATION HAS A FLEET OF 22,000 AIRPLANES

**And a Corps of 10,000 Aviators Entraining. Liberty Motor is One of the Greatest Achievements of the War, So Far.**

American aviation units, it is announced at the War Department, have now moved up in numbers to stations immediately behind the front in France. This is the vanguard of the new army for which Congress last Summer voted an appropriation of \$640,000,000.

A fleet of 22,000 airplanes is being built for the Army, and a corps of 10,000 aviators is being trained. These are the men and the machines that will answer to the call received from General Pershing last week for the earliest possible shipment of men and planes for employment against the Germans in the West.

The task before the Airplane Production Board at the outset of the war was, in reality, the organization of a new industry, entire. That is the task that has been accomplished in the past five months. When the Board began its work only two companies manufacturing airplanes were in operation in the United States, and the machines turned out were serviceable only for practice flights.

The first work of the Board was to set men to the task of designing a new engine. The result of one week's work by twenty experts was the Liberty motor, which Secretary Baker has pronounced the greatest achievement of the war, so far.

The Liberty Motor is a model of standardization. It is built with four cylinders, or with eight or twelve, and the same parts are interchangeable for all three of the different sizes. The greatest automobile factories in the world have provided with machinery for turning out these motors.

The training of American aviators now is going forward on the flying fields of England and France, and on a dozen or more new flying fields in America, where veteran fliers from the Western front are serving as instructors.

## Officers Elected for 1918.

The annual election of officers for the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church was held Monday, afternoon Dec. 17, and the following women were elected for office during the ensuing year. President, Mrs. Shelby Conrad; Vice President, Mrs. F. M. Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Moorman; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Conrad Sipple; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Thos. J. Ferry; Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. David B. Phelps; Agent for the Missionary Voice, Mrs. V. G. Babbage.

The annual report of the Treasurer showed that the society had collected and forwarded to the conference treasurer \$94 for dues and mission pledge \$10 of which was given to the Missionary War Relief Fund. The collection this year was an increase of \$10 over last year. Mrs. Moorman is entering upon her sixteenth consecutive year as treasurer and her services have been invaluable.

New officers have also been recently elected for the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church. They are the following: President, Mrs. David P. Phelps; Vice President, Mrs. Sallie DeHaven; Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Skillman; Secretary, Mrs. A. A. Simons; pianist, Mrs. R. B. Pierce.

## Fireman Injured.

Mr. Will Jones, a fireman on the L. H. & St. L. R. R. is in Louisville at St. Mary's and Elizabeth's Hospital suffering from injuries received several days ago while on duty. It is stated that Mr. Jones attempted to board his engine when it was in motion, missing his step he fell and one of his limbs was so badly crushed it had to be amputated. His physicians say he will be able to return home next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have just recently purchased a home in the West end of Cloverport.

## Six O'clock Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Berry gave a six o'clock dinner Thursday evening in honor of Miss Marie Davis of Owensboro, who was the guest of Miss Grace Panley during the holidays.